

**Draft Delta Plan  
placed on two  
meeting agendas**

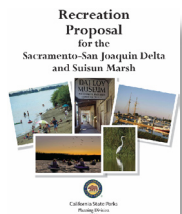
The [fifth staff draft](#) of the Delta Plan will be getting attention at two upcoming meetings. It is on the [agenda](#) for the meeting of the Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) tomorrow, Aug. 26, in Sacramento. The Delta Independent Science Board will take up the draft during a two-day meeting on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 1 and 2, in Sacramento. Board members will discuss their reviews of the draft plan and begin preparing comments. [Meeting details](#) are available on the DSC website.

**Second draft of  
Delta economic  
stability plan released**

The [Delta Protection Commission](#) has released the [second draft](#) of a Delta economic stability plan. It looks at key elements of the Delta economy, including agriculture, recreation and tourism, and considers strategies to enhance their sustainability. The plan includes a look at the costs and risks associated with proposed water conveyance tunnels that would divert water around the Delta.

**Delta recreation  
proposal released by  
state parks division**

The California State Parks Planning Division has released a plan to [expand state recreation areas](#) in the Delta and Suisun Marsh. A [two-page](#) summary of the proposal was also released. The plan recommends broader collaboration among businesses, nonprofit organizations and government agencies to increase recreation opportunities. The proposal will be submitted to the [DSC](#) this week and to the Delta Protection Commission on Thursday, Sept. 22.

**Lead scientist  
candidate to be part of  
brown bag seminar**

The Delta Science Program Brown Bag Series will host a noontime [seminar](#) on Wednesday, Aug. 31, in Sacramento. It will feature Peter Goodwin, the founder of the [Center for Ecohydraulics Research](#) at the University of Idaho. Goodwin is a candidate to be the new lead scientist for the Delta Science Program. He has participated in river restoration, flood control and tidal wetlands projects.

**DSC getting its  
message out via  
Facebook and Twitter**

The DSC has expanded its social networking options by opening new accounts on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). The DSC is embracing the technological power of social media to provide Californians with the latest information on state water issues, including the Delta Plan. The two accounts were opened earlier this week.

**Forest Service looking  
for help in organizing  
water review panel**

The U.S. Forest Service (USFS) is looking for people interested in establishing a panel to review the USFS water quality management program. The panel will include stakeholders and tribal representatives. An organizational meeting will be held Thursday, Sept. 15, in Sacramento. The meeting details are available on the USFS [website](#).

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